(c) Yes, Sir. PM invited the UK to consider increased investments in India. Mr. Major conveyed that he would actively communicate to British business the openness of the Indian market for trade and investment and seek enhanced British investments.

Dialogue between India and Pakistan

4610. SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE :
SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU :

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether as reported in the Hindu of 31st January, 1994, the US has taken a positive view of the six proposals made by India to Pakistan for establishing a smooth bilateral working relationship ; and

(b) if so, what further steps have been taken by Government and the US Administration to help continue the dialogue between India and Pakistan for improving mutual ties ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI R. L. BHATIA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The US Government has expressed support for India's offer to continue negotiations with Pakistan at the Foreign Secretary level aimed at resolving Indo-Pak issues on the basis of the Simla Agreement.

Pak proposal to send a fact finding mission to Kashmir

4611. SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Pakistan has lately made a proposal to send a fact finding mission to Kashmir to assess the human rights situation there ;

(b) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto, whether Government have rejected the move outright and if so, in what terms; and

(c) whether Pakistan also attempted to move a resolution on human rights in Kashmir in the recent meeting of the U.N. Commission on Human Rights in Geneva, if so, in what terms, and what was Government's response thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SALMAN KHURSHEED) : (a) to (c) Pakistan tabled a resolution at the recent 50th Session of the UNCHR on alleged human rights violations in J&K which included a call for despatch of a fact-finding mission.

India took a range of measures to bring true facts regarding the situation in J&K to the attention of the International Community particularly Pakistan's interference in India's internal affairs by aiding and abetting terrorism in India and in violating the Simla Agreement. The External Affairs Minister wrote to his counterparts in all members states of the Commission on Human Rights, envoys of member states of the UNCHR were briefed at several levels on the true situation in J&K and India exercised her right of reply during the UNCHR session to effectively rebut all of Pakistan's allegations. Further, intense lobbying of UNCHR members was also done through our Diplomatic Missions to put across India's case and this was reinforced by Indian policy of transparency which included visits to J&K by two batches of envoys including EC TROIKA. The measures taken by Government of India were effective in isolating Pakistan at the UNCHR Session, so much so Pakistan unconditionally withdrew the resolution.

Pressure Tactics of U. S.

4612 : SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that India has been under tremendous US pressure with regard to signing the NPT and acquisition of missiles;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard; and

(c) whether the recent overtures by US with regard to expression of concern for